UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re:

Adv. Pro. No. 08-01789 (SMB)

BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT SECURITIES LLC,

SIPA LIQUIDATION

Debtor.

(Substantively Consolidated)

IRVING H. PICARD, Trustee for the Liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC,

Plaintiff,

v.

Adv. Pro. No. 09-1305 (SMB)

ALVIN J. DELARE, JR., et al.,

Defendants.

FOURTH AMENDED CASE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Due to the voluminous nature of discovery at issue in this case, the Plaintiff and Defendants hereby amend this Case Management Plan for the sole purpose of extending the Discovery Cutoff Date contained in Section 3(h) to February 2, 2018.¹

Plaintiff and Defendants (collectively, the "Parties") hereby submit the following Proposed Case Management Plan, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 16 and 26, as incorporated into Bank. R. 7016 and 7026:

1. Status of Pleadings.

- a. The following defendants answered the complaint: Morton Kurzrok, Gloria Kurzrok, Jonathan Greenberg, Linda McCurdy, Rosalie Buccellato, The Janet Jaffin Revocable Trust, Edward H Kohlschreiber, Edward H Kohlschreiber Sr. Rev. Mgt. Trust and Elizabeth M. Moody.
- b. The following defendants have moved to withdraw the reference: Cohmad Securities Corporation, Maurice J. Cohn, Marcia B. Cohn and Robert Jaffe. The Trustee's opposition to these motions was to be filed and served on or before **September 18, 2009**, and reply papers, if any were to be filed and served on **October 9, 2009**. Oral argument had not been scheduled. These defendants also have filed a motion to dismiss the complaint and have agreed to the briefing schedule in Paragraph (c) below. The hearing on that motion was stayed pending resolution of the motion to withdraw the reference.

¹ Section 8 (Parties and Counsel) was also updated to reflect the most current information.

- c. The following defendants have moved to dismiss Counts One, Three Four, Five, Six, Seven, Eight, Ten, and Eleven: Milton S. Cohn and Marilyn Cohn. The Trustee's opposition to these motions was to be filed and served on or before **October 8, 2009**, and reply papers, if any were to be filed and served on **November 2, 2009**. These motions were to be heard on **November 17, 2009**.
- d. The following defendants have moved to dismiss the complaint in its entirety for failure to state a claim: Richard Spring, The Spring Family Trust, Jeanne T. Spring Trust, Jane Delaire, Cyril Jalon, Alvin Delaire, Jr., Carole Delaire and The Estate of Elena Jalon, Stanley Berman, Joyce Berman, and S & J Partnership. The Trustee's opposition to these motions was to be filed and served on or before October 8, 2009, and reply papers, if any were to be filed and served on November 2, 2009. These motions were to be heard on November 17, 2009.
- e. The following defendants have moved to dismiss the complaint for lack of personal jurisdiction: The Joint Tenancy of Phyllis Guenzburger and Fabian Guenzburger, The Joint Tenancy of Robert Pinchou and Fabian Guenzburger. The Trustee's opposition to these motions was to be filed and served on or before **September 17. 2009**, and reply papers, if any were to be filed and served on **October 7. 2009**. These motions were to be heard on **October 22, 2009**.

2. Amendment of Pleadings and Joinder of Parties.

The Trustee suggested that in response to certain motions above, it would amend its Complaint, and was to serve the same by **October 8, 2009**. Any other amendment of the pleadings shall be made pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 7015.

3. Discovery Plan.

- a. <u>Initial Disclosures</u>. The parties do not propose any changes in the form, or requirements for disclosures under Rule 26(a). The parties agreed that they were to serve initial disclosures within <u>fifteen (15) days</u> after they had answered the amended complaint or by <u>December 5, 2009</u>, whichever was later. The Trustee was to serve initial disclosures at the same time.
- b. <u>Subjects on Which Discovery May Be Needed.</u> The parties contemplate that discovery will be needed on all liability and damages issues, and that fact and expert discovery will be needed.
- c. <u>Document Demands</u>. Requests for documents may be served as required, until <u>sixty (60) days</u> prior to the Discovery Cut-Off date in paragraph **3(h)** below.
- d. <u>Interrogatories</u>. Interrogatories pursuant to Local Rule 7033-1(a) for identification purposes, if any, were to be served by <u>April 1, 2016</u>. Contention based interrogatories pursuant to Local Rule 7033-1(b), if any, may not be served before <u>one hundred fifty (150) days</u> prior to the Discovery Cut-Off date in paragraph 3(h) below and may not be served later than <u>forty-five (45)</u> days prior to the Discovery Cut-Off date in paragraph 3(h) below.

- e. Requests to Admit. Requests to Admit, if any, must be served by thirty

 (30) days subsequent to the Discovery Cut-Off date in paragraph 3(h)
 below.
- f. Experts. Every party-proponent of a claim (including any counterclaim, cross-claim, or third-party claim) that intends to offer expert testimony in respect of such claim must make the disclosures required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2) by forty five (45) days subsequent to the Discovery Cut-Off date in paragraph 3(h) below. Every party-opponent of such claim that intends to offer expert testimony in opposition to such claim must make the disclosures required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2) within seventy-five (75) days subsequent to the Discovery Cut-Off date in paragraph 3(h) below. No expert testimony (whether designated as "rebuttal" or otherwise) will be permitted by other experts or beyond the scope of the opinions covered by the aforesaid disclosures except upon prior express permission of the Court, application for which must be made no later than 10 days after the date specified in the immediately preceding sentence. All experts may be deposed, but such depositions must occur within one hundred five (105) <u>davs</u> subsequent to the Discovery Cut-Off date in paragraph 3(h) below. The foregoing restriction shall not include amendments to expert reports in light of new evidence as required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26.
- g. <u>Depositions</u>. All depositions (excluding any expert depositions) must be completed by the Discovery Cut-Off date in paragraph **3(h)** below. Depositions shall proceed concurrently, with no party having priority, and

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no deposition shall extend beyond one business day unless all parties and the deponent agree to a longer period of time or upon prior leave of the Court.

- h. <u>Discovery Cut-Off.</u> All discovery is to be completed <u>by February 2, 2018</u>. Interim deadlines above may be extended by the parties on consent without application to the Court, provided the parties are <u>certain</u> they can still meet the discovery completion date set forth in this paragraph, which shall not be adjourned except upon a showing to the Court of good cause. Discovery demands may be served on any party only after issue is joined as to that party.
- i. <u>Limitations On Discovery Imposed Under The Federal and/or Local Rules</u>. Consistent with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and this Court's Local Rules, the parties agree to the following limits on discovery:

 (i) Interrogatories: <u>twenty-five (25) per side</u>;
 (ii) Requests for Production of Documents: <u>unlimited</u>;
 (iii) Requests for Admissions: <u>unlimited</u>;
 (iv) Depositions: <u>unlimited</u>.
- 4. Proposed Modifications Of Standard Pretrial Proceedings Due To The Special

 Nature Of The Action. The parties do not presently believe that any such
 modifications are appropriate or necessary, and will contact the Court if their belief
 in this regard changes.
- Prospects For Settlement, Including Whether A Settlement Conference Should
 Be Scheduled And Whether The Parties Will Stipulate To The Trial Judge Acting

- As Settlement Judge. The parties have engaged in some discussions, but do not believe that a global effort will be productive at this time.
- 6. Any Other Matter That May Add To The Just And Expeditious Disposition Of This

 Matter. The parties do not presently raise any other matters that may add to the just and expeditious disposition of this matter.
- 7. <u>Trial</u>. The parties estimate that trial will require 5-7 court days.
- 8. <u>Parties and Counsel</u>. The following parties join in this Case Management Plan, through their counsel, if applicable:

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So Ordered This 18th Day of April, 2017

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